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Birders participating in the Breeding Bird Atlas project worked to discover what species nest in Nebraska, as the following photos show.



Killdeer eggs and hatchlings (1st of 2 broods), near Lake Zorinsky, Omaha, Douglas Co., 20 May 2012. Photo by Ami Sheffield.

Cordilleran Flycatcher on nest, West Ash Creek campground, Dawes Co., 20 July 2011. Photo by Wayne Mollhoff.



Red-breasted Nuthatch at nest hole, Gordon Cemetery, Sheridan Co., 4 June 2012. Photo by Clem Klaphake.

Black-necked Stilt nest, 3 miles ne of Hubbard, Dakota Co., 3 Aug 2011. Photo by Bill Huser, documenting the extralimital breeding attempts by stilts in the summer of 2011. This nest was abandoned due to falling water levels, but a nearby nest fledged 3 young stilts.



Spring in Nebraska provides a unique opportunity to observe warblers in migration.



Cape May Warbler, Mahoney State Park, Cass Co., 10 May 2012. Photo by Ken Carnes.



Black-and-white Warbler (left) and Bay-breasted Warbler, both in the photographer's yard, rural Dixon Co., 5 May 2012. Photos by Jan Johnson.

Long-billed Curlew,
central Cherry Co.,
18 June 2012.
Photo by Jan Johnson.



Black-bellied Whistling-Duck,
near 144th & F Sts., Omaha,
Douglas Co., 29 Nov 2010.
Photo by Tracy Utter.

Wood Duck,
Boys Town Lake,
Omaha, Douglas Co.,
8 Nov 2009.
Photo by Todd Utter.

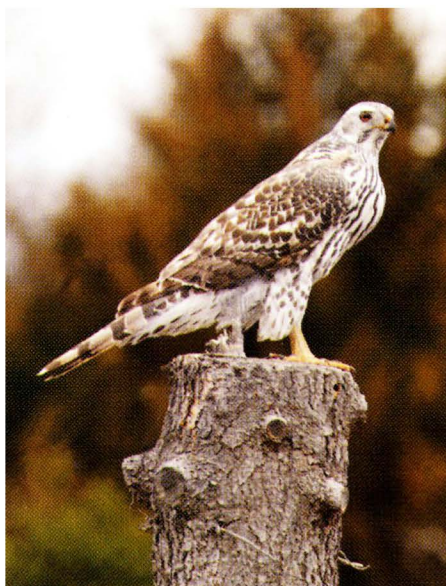


American White Pelicans,
Lake Maloney SRA,
Lincoln Co.,
15 May 2008.
Photo by Neva Pruess.

Mew Gull, Gavins
Point Dam, Cedar
Co., 4 Dec 2011.
Photo by
Lucas Johnson.

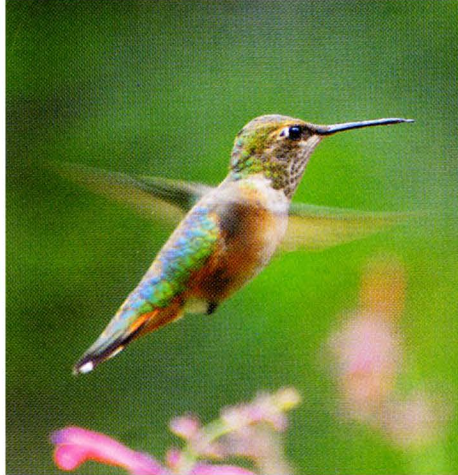


Juvenile Northern Goshawk in the
photographer's yard, Scottsbluff,
Scotts Bluff Co., 30 Mar 2011.
Photo by Steve Johnson.



Broad-winged Hawk near nest, Buffalo &
E Sts., North Platte, Lincoln Co.,
19 June 2012. Photo by T. J. Walker.





Rufous Hummingbird in the photographer's yard, Lincoln, Lancaster Co., 18 Sep 2011. Photo by Joel Jorgensen. The bird was taken to the Henry Doorly Zoo on 10 Nov 2011.

Yellow-breasted Chat, Moran Canyon, Lincoln Co., 9 June 2012. Photo by Carlos Grande.



Cedar Waxwings, Peru, Nemaha Co., 28 Mar 2010. Photo by Carol Carpenter.

Sanderlings, Freeman Lakes WPA, York Co., 12 May 2006. Photo by Carlos Grande.





Baltimore Orioles, Mahoney State Park, Cass Co., 10 May 2012.
Photo by Ken Carnes.



Red Crossbill, Wildcat Hills SRA, Scotts Bluff Co., 26 Sept 2011.
Photo by Bob Gerten.

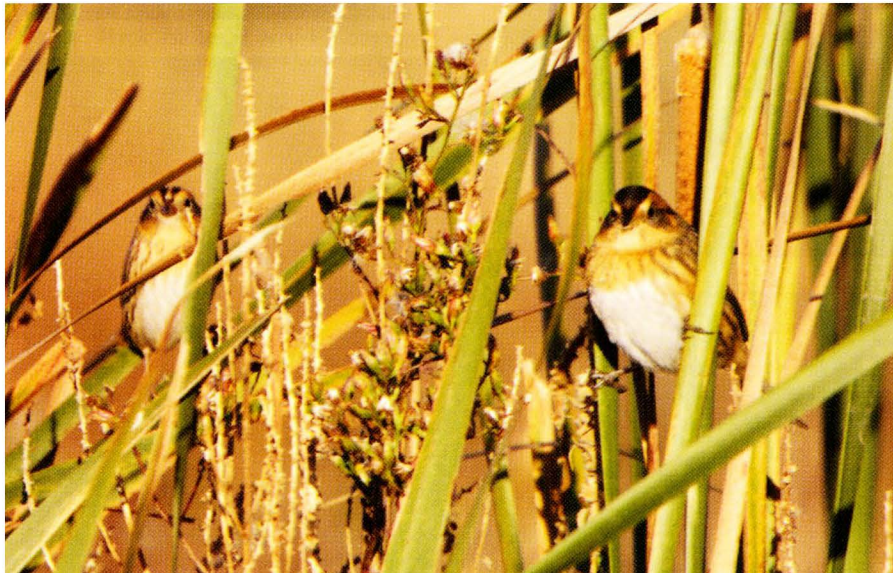
Young Rose-breasted Grosbeak in photographer's yard in snow, Omaha, Douglas Co., 8 Dec 2011, last seen on 20 Dec 2011. Photo by Ami Sheffield.



Henslow's Sparrow, (a large-headed, large-billed species)
at Spring Creek Prairie,
Lancaster Co., 26 June 2012.
Photo by Ruthie Stearns.



Vesper Sparrow (exhibiting its signature
white outer tail feathers, and the rufous
shoulders, a field mark not always
visible) on the Seward/Butler County
Line Road, Butler Co., 9 Apr 2012.
Photo by Joe Gubanyi.



Le Conte's Sparrow (left, showing the white median crown stripe and finely-streaked breast band) and Nelson's Sparrow (showing the gray crown and well-defined white belly) at Little Salt Fork Marsh, Lancaster Co., 16 Oct 2010. Photo by Carlos Grande.



PHOTOS ON FACING PAGE

The 2011-2012 winter irruption of Snowy Owls and greater-than-usual sightings of Short-eared Owls resulted in photos of these and other owl species being submitted. Clockwise from top left:

Snowy Owl, south of Alvo, Cass Co., 2 Dec 2011, one of 170 confirmed sightings in the state from Nov 2011 to May 2012. Photo by Jerry Toll.

Long-eared Owl, Walnut Creek Recreation Area, Omaha, Douglas Co., 30 Dec 2011. Photo by Doug Neal.

Great-horned Owl, Gordon Cemetery, Sheridan Co., 5 June 2012. Photo by Clem Klaphake.

Eastern Screech-Owl, Fremont, Dodge Co., 31 Jan 2012. Photo by Tracy Utter.

Burrowing Owl, south of Hay Springs, Sheridan Co., 5 June 2012. Photo by Clem Klaphake.

Short-eared Owl, North Lake Basin WMA, Seward Co., 11 Feb 2012. Photo by Joe Gubanyi.